

AGN. NO. _____

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

June 23, 2003

RE: Item 5

Although the allocation of Performance Incentive dollars for Vehicle Repair does not have unanimous support, the concept of Vehicle Repair for CalWORKS participants merits further exploration. In many cases, public transportation does not work for CalWORKS participants in not only their search to find employment but in the transportation to their jobs once hired. Further, in many instances, the car repairs are too costly for their wages. If repairing their older vehicles could assist them in locating and maintaining employment, then we should try to be creative in identifying a program that could have a positive impact.

One option not yet considered is the potential for auto mechanic training programs offered at Community Colleges, Regional Occupational Centers, High Schools and Adult Schools to use vehicles owned by CalWORKS participants as hands on curriculum for the students enrolled. If structured correctly, this could be a win-win program.

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I THEREFORE, MOVE, THAT, the Department of Public Social Services explore with the Community Colleges, the Regional Occupational Centers, Community Adult Schools as well as the Los Angeles County Office of Education and the Los Angeles Unified School District, the potential for their auto mechanic students to perform vehicle repairs for CalWORKS participants and to report back in 60 days with findings and recommendations.

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